



## Governance Manual- Part 2

# Board of Trustees Governance Policy

The board is entrusted to work on behalf of the stakeholders. The board governs the school and emphasises strategic leadership rather than administrative detail while keeping 'enhancing student achievement' as its focus. The board also ensures that it complies with legal and policy requirements.

The Board of Trustees key areas of contribution are: Representation, Leadership and Accountability.

Therefore the board shall not fail to:

1. Consult with the school community.
2. Maintain strategic direction through the development, approval, monitoring and review of the school charter and school policies, and monitor the board's progress against them.
3. Monitor and evaluate student achievement.
4. Fulfil the intent of the Treaty of Waitangi by valuing and reflecting New Zealand's dual cultural heritage.
5. Act as good employers.
6. Appoint, assess the performance of, and nurture the principal.
7. Deal with disputes and conflicts referred to the board.
8. Monitor financial management of the school and approve the budget.
9. Oversee, conserve and enhance the property resource base.
10. Have clearly defined board roles.
11. Ensure the board is compliant with its legal requirements.
12. Attend board meetings and take an active role as a trustee.
13. Represent the school in a positive, appropriate manner.
14. Hand over governance to new board/trustees at election time.

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